

Appl. No. 09/936,291
Supplemental Reply to Office Action of March 5, 2004

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REMARKS

Applicant recognizes with appreciation that Claim 56 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In addition, during the telephone interview with the undersigned attorney on August 2, 2004, the Examiner indicated that Claims 61, 64, 71, 73, 74, 77, 79-80 and 93 would be allowable if amended to depend on Claim 56, and if support for these claims can be found in the specification.

In this Amendment, Applicant has cancelled Claims 52 and 57, without prejudice of disclaimer, and has amended Claims 56, 61, 64, 71, 73, 77, 79, 80 and 93. Claim 56 has been rewritten in independent form according to the Examiner's suggestion. Claims 61, 64, 71, 73, 77, 79-80 and 93 have been amended to be dependent on Claim 56. In addition, it is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been introduced by the amended claims. All claims are now present for examination in view of the accompanying remarks.

It is respectfully submitted that the specification supports the various dependent claims. The support can be found throughout the specification. For example, Claim 61 is supported by the description on page 14, lines 7 – 10 of the specification; Claim 64 is supported by the description on page 10, lines 12 – 14 and page 12, lines 20 – 21; Claim 71 is supported by the description on page 14, line 38 – page 15, line 2; Claim 73 is supported by the description on page 15, line 12; Claim 74 is supported by the description on page 15, line 9; the support for Claim 77 is on page 15, lines 27 – 28 of the specification; Claim 79 is supported by the specification on page 18, lines 26-28; support for Claim 80 can be found on page 14, lines 24 – 25 and page 15, lines 16 – 17 of the specification; and Claim 93 is supported on page 16, lines 32 – 33 and 38 of the specification.

Should there be any reason that will prevent the present application from being in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to notify the

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undersigned attorney by telephone on or before September 5, 2004 -- the last due date for response to the final rejection of March 5, 2004.

Having overcome all outstanding grounds of rejection, the application is now in condition for allowance, and prompt action toward that end is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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